

# ADVANCING AFGHAN TRADE

EU TRADE-RELATED ASSISTANCE

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The International Trade Centre (ITC) launched a trade-related assistance initiative funded by the European Union called Advancing Afghan Trade (AAT). Set in motion on 29 November 2016 in Kabul, the initiative intends to contribute to the strengthening of the country's trade capacities, with the long-term goal of helping to transform Afghanistan and its regional partners into a vibrant regional economic hub. The project will be implemented over a three-year period.

Funded by the EU, implementation of the initiative is now under way and is led by ITC in close collaboration with the Ministry of Commerce and Industries. In this ninth newsletter, we invite you to read the articles below to discover further progress made.

We look forward to sharing regular updates with all our stakeholders and garnering as much support from the community as possible, so please feel free to share this newsletter. It is our belief that the AAT will contribute to how trade can be used as a lever for economic growth, job creation, poverty reduction and enhanced regional cooperation.





## START-UPS AND EMERGING ENTREPRENEURS NETWORK LAUNCHED (AAT SUPPORTED)

The Start-ups and Emerging Entrepreneurs Network (SEEN) was officially inaugurated on 15 June. Speaking at the ceremony, attended by dozens of young entrepreneurs, journalists and...

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## AAT SUPPORTS PUSH FOR ENHANCED AFGHAN FOOD SAFETY

“Growing Afghan exports by developing food safety authority” – [Watch more](#)  
“Better understanding roles in Afghan food safety” - [Watch more](#)  
“Exploring key challenges in Afghan food safety” – [Watch more](#)



## WORKSHOPS ON TRADE FACILITATION FOR BUSINESS ASSOCIATIONS AND TRADERS

Series of workshops to boost knowledge and skills on the World Trade Organization's Trade Facilitation Agreement...

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## IN THE PRESS

Since the last newsletter, a lot of progress has been made and the project has attracted significant media attention...

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## WHAT'S NEXT?

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